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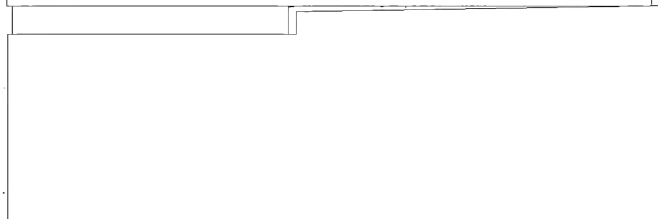
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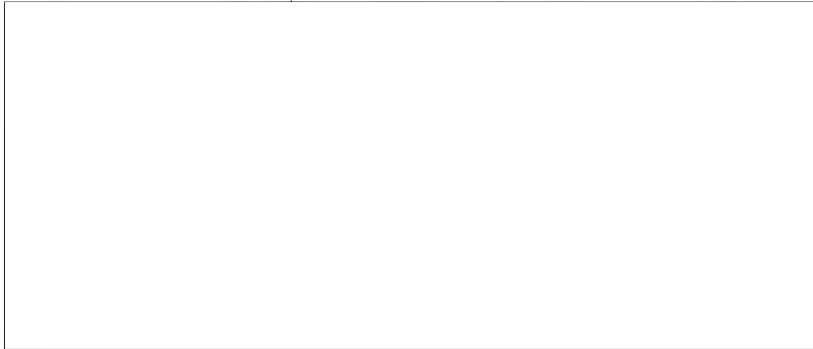
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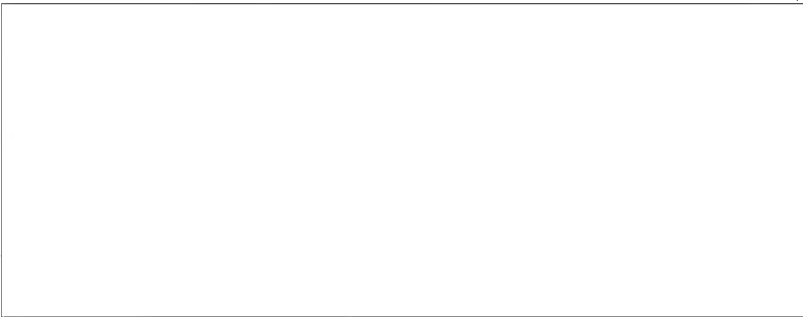
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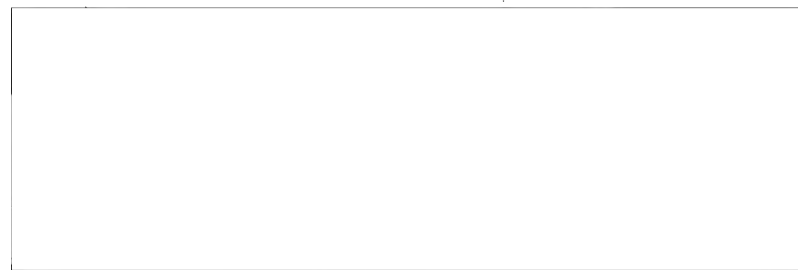
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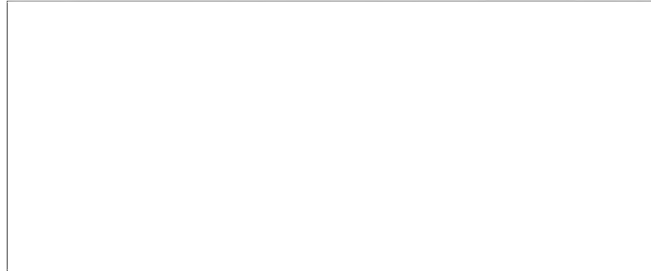
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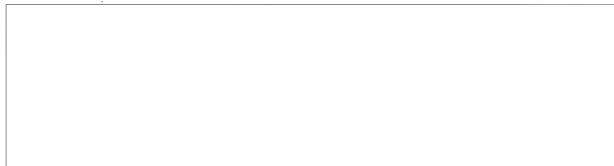
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NOTES

Communist China - Middle East: Peking's efforts to expand its diplomatic presence in the Middle East and to win votes for admission to the UN are now focusing on Turkey and Iran. Both countries are actively weighing the question of recognition--possibly along lines of the Canadian formula, taking note of Peking's claim to Taiwan without endorsing it. Direct Turkish-Chinese talks began on 25 April. Iran's interest in ties with Peking became obvious earlier this month with a visit to China by the Shah's twin sister. Both Iran and Turkey see recognition of China as of some value as a balancing factor in their relations with the USSR.

Turkey: Martial law is being put into effect in ways calculated to cause as little disruption as possible. There is a ban on known extremist organizations, but there have been only scattered arrests. The government is awaiting parliament's passage of tougher laws before embarking on any roundup of leftist suspects.

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